





# CAMPAIGN '92 / VARIATIONS ON SOME THEMES

## ELECTION NOTES

### Clinton Counterpunches After Bush Jab

**CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa** — Governor Bill Clinton called President George Bush a candidate with "no credibility" Thursday and said the American people would not believe White House assertions that a Democratic victory would lead to higher taxes and soaring spending. "It can't stick, the American people can't believe a guy with this kind of record," the Democratic challenger said.

Mr. Clinton's retort came within an hour of a speech in Colorado Springs in which the president charged that his opponent favored "the largest tax increase in American history." At a rally in Cedar Rapids, the Arkansas governor also said that Mr. Bush was acting as if "we're all a bunch of dummies" by saying the recession is over but people do not realize it.

He taunted Mr. Bush, who on Wednesday before the Knights of Columbus compared himself to Christopher Columbus. Mr. Clinton said that Columbus had discovered America but after three years in the White House, Mr. Bush "hasn't found it yet." (AP)

### Tsongas and Rudman Join Deficit Smashers

**WASHINGTON** — Paul E. Tsongas, the former Democratic presidential candidate, and Warren B. Rudman, a retiring Republican senator from New Hampshire, have joined with a new youth group in an effort to force politicians to deal more honestly with what they believe is the most pressing economic issue of the 1990s: the crushing federal deficit.

The group, called Lead or Leave, wants to force political leaders and candidates to take a pledge to leave office if the federal deficit is not cut in half within four years. Mr. Tsongas and Mr. Rudman are providing financing for the group along with Peter G. Peterson, a Wall Street investment banker and former secretary of commerce. Lead or Leave's co-founders, Rob Nelson, a 29-year-old former liberal fund raiser, and Jon Cowan, a 27-year-old former aide to Representative Mel Levine, Democrat of California, said they got the idea from following the case of Senator G. Kent Conrad, Democrat of North Dakota, who decided not to seek re-election this year. Mr. Conrad sought to live up to his 1986 promise not to run again if the deficit had not been dramatically reduced. At least one major political candidate — former Governor Richard D. Lamm of Colorado, now a Democratic candidate for the Senate — took the group's pledge this week, Mr. Nelson and Mr. Cowan said. (LAT)

### New York City Official to Aid Clinton

**NEW YORK** — Deputy Mayor Bill Lynch Jr., Mayor David N. Dinkins' chief political aide, will take a leave of absence to serve as deputy director of the state presidential campaign of Bill Clinton, having received the mayor's blessing.

Mr. Lynch, who is the mayor's closest adviser, will leave his post Aug. 24 and plans to return to City Hall in early November, the mayor said. At the Clinton campaign, he will oversee voter registration and coalition building. (NYT)

### Democrat Is Denied Times News Service

**NEW YORK** — The New York Times has pulled its news service from the Clinton presidential campaign, a Times executive said, because the paper thought the campaign was misusing the wire. John Brewer, president and editor in chief of The New York Times Syndication Sales Corp., said Clinton campaign operatives were responding to some stories before they had appeared in the paper.

A Clinton campaign spokesman, Jeff Eller, said the problem originated when the campaign's issues director, Bruce Lindsey, complained to a Times reporter about a story she had filed for the next day's paper. (AP)

### Quote/Unquote

Bill Clinton: "I'm worried about kids being killed on the streets here at home. I think we'll have more people killed in America today than are killed in Yugoslavia, or what used to be Yugoslavia." (AP)

## Bill and Al Take Their Big Friendship on a River Road Show

By David Maraniss  
Washington Post Service

**HANNIBAL, Missouri** — Bill and Al are back together again after two long weeks apart, a fortnight when they talked to each other by telephone four or more times a day, comparing crowd sizes and swapping applause lines, crafting statements on Bosnia, Iraq and Republican fax attacks, and mapping out the three-day buscapade they have started up the spine of the Middle West, the Mississippi River, from St. Louis to Minneapolis.

The temptation here in Mark Twain's hometown, where the Democratic ticketmates spoke on Main Street in front of Mrs. Clemens Pies, would be to compare these guys to Huck and Tom. But they are too polished for that, and besides they brought their wives along, and truth be told, Huck Finn's soul was closer to runaway slave Jim than it ever was to Tom Sawyer's.

If their friendship has taken on a fictional quality, Bill Clinton and Al Gore are writing it themselves, an unfinished novel of male bonding in which two ambi-

tions politicians discover in middle age that they are really fraternal twins.

Mr. Clinton has the silver-gray hair and Mr. Gore is the one with the incipient bald patch in the back; Mr. Clinton stands an inch taller even though Mr. Gore gets a lift from his boost-beeled shoes; Mr. Clinton's movements are free and easy while Mr. Gore walks and waves with the exaggerated gestures of a less-natural gladhander.

Yet despite these external differences they seem connected — physically by an invisible cord; psychologically by an unlikely intuitive understanding.

"It's as though they had known each other for years and years and years, when in fact they had been leading similar lives along separate tracks," said Frank Greer, one of the campaign's image advisers. "The guys just can't stop talking to each other. I've never seen anything quite like it in politics."

At a rally Wednesday morning at East Side High in East St. Louis, Illinois, Mr. Clinton and Mr. Gore did things male twins do. On the way to the event, they talked football — East Side High Flyers football, the

best schoolboy football in Illinois if not the country. They talked about the coach, Robert Shannon, who has led his squad to 152 wins in 173 games with the motto: "Get it Done." It would be the perfect motto for their campaign, they decided, at the same time, and when they addressed the predominantly black crowd inside the school's gymnasium, first Al and then Bill echoed the phrase.

When Al took off his suit and went to shirtsleeves, Bill quickly followed. White on white, they sat side by side on stools. When Bill compared the ethnic executions by Serbs with the Holocaust, Al extended and only slightly revised his ticketmate's remark. When Bill spoke, Al smiled and nodded; when it was Al's turn, Bill oodled and smiled. When Al's throat seemed dry, Bill handed him a cup of water.

Delighted Democrats like to say of Mr. Clinton and Mr. Gore that theirs is a partnership where one plus one equals five, and when Hillary Clinton and Tipper Gore are added to the equation, two plus two equals 10.

The power of their numbers does seem to multiply

exponentially at times such as when the bus caravan made a stop at a rest area in Bowling Green, Missouri, halfway between East St. Louis and Hannibal.

It was Bill and Al and Tipper and Hillary, moving in succession along a rope line: Bill finding every grasping hand reaching out to him, calling every little girl pretty, his mouth agape in wonder; Al coming in behind him, with the farmer handshake, ever willing to stop a bit longer and talk; Tipper, buoyant and alive, ready to pose for pictures, or take them; and Hillary, always saying thank you.

Mr. Gore and Mr. Clinton move into the tag team mode when they take the stage to speak. Here in Hannibal, Mr. Gore primed the crowd, going after President George Bush and Vice President Dan Quayle by name, describing how the Republican team is "huddled together in the White House today in a state of political panic," then leading the throng in rally chants. It is left to Mr. Gore to make the main attack on foreign policy and the environment, setting the stage for Mr. Clinton and his economic plan for change.

## Bush, Honing Edge, Stakes Claim to Economic High Ground

By Bill McAllister  
Washington Post Service

**COLORADO SPRINGS** — President George Bush, responding to Republican criticism that he needs to better define his differences with Governor Bill Clinton, on Thursday sharply ridiculed his opponent's economic plans, suggesting that the only federal program a Democratic administration would eliminate would be a \$20 million subsidy for honeybee farmers.

In a speech to a group of conservative state legislators, Mr. Bush once again acknowledged that he had been slow to challenge Mr. Clinton on specifics and conceded that on "some issues, especially economic issues, I'm afraid we don't yet sound all that different."

But he sought to change that impression, charging that Mr. Clinton's "new covenant" economic plan was "a Trojan horse" filled with liberal ideas.

"Is all this talk of what they call a 'new covenant' simply a cover-up for some very old and tired ideas?" he asked.

The president put a \$200 billion-a-year price tag on new programs he said the Democratic nominee had put forward, and said Mr. Clinton had proposed new taxes that would cover only \$150 billion of the costs.

Mr. Bush said he had proposed cutting 246 government programs and another 4,000 projects that Congress has funded. Mr. Clinton, he said, "searched and searched through thousands of government programs and found only one that he would eliminate — federal subsidies for honeybee farms."

By comparison, Mr. Bush sought



George Bush pressing the flesh as he arrived in Reno, Nevada, where he gave a speech at a conference for disabled American veterans.

to project a tougher image of his role overseeing the budget, boasting that he had wrestled with some of Washington's most powerful interests, such as teachers' unions and the labor bosses.

He added: "But I doubt anyone will get stung by taking on the

honeybee industry. They're just not that tough."

On numerous issues — among them education, health care, defense, school prayer and abortion — the president said his differences with Mr. Clinton were clear.

"We are separated by a gulf as

wide as the Grand Canyon," he said.

With the economy remaining a major worry for the Republicans, Mr. Bush tried to draw out more sharply his differences with Mr. Clinton.

His speech was cheered repeatedly by an audience that carried Bush-Quayle placards and American flags and that had been warmed up by Sam Brunelli, executive director of the American Legislative Exchange Council. Mr. Brunelli claimed that his group's program of holding the line on "big government socialism" and for gun owners' "rights" among other items, was succeeding.

Mr. Bush's reception by the city's conservative newspaper, the Gazette Telegraph, was less than warm. In a lead editorial, the newspaper welcomed the president to the slopes of the Rocky Mountains, but warned him that "the trouble you find yourself in today is largely of your own making."

The newspaper said Mr. Bush's "biggest mistake" had been to break his 1988 "no new taxes" pledge. It appealed to him to return to a conservative political agenda.

In his speech to the legislators, Mr. Bush called for an ouster of liberal members of Congress, a line-item veto and a balanced-budget amendment, which he said was "the only way to get the budget deficit under control."

As in other recent speeches, he seemed to apologize for his lackluster campaign, saying that he had "been a little slow to fight back" and acknowledging that he lacked the oratorical skills of former President Ronald Reagan.

Mr. Bush also suggested that his responses to Mr. Clinton had not been well received.

"Every time I tiptoe into the water with this guy, they start yelling, 'Negative campaigning!'"

His latest such setback, on Monday, came after he had to disavow an aide's press release that raised questions about Mr. Clinton's private life.

"I am going to fight back," the president said.

He added, "I will fight on the only battleground that really counts, and that is the battleground of ideas."

## Incumbent's Defeat Worries Republicans

By Kenneth J. Cooper  
Washington Post Service

**WASHINGTON** — If Democrats found a fitting irony in the defeat in a primary election of Representative Guy Vander Jagt, the Michigan Republican who has been the most outspoken booster of anti-incumbent rage, Republicans found reason to worry.

The defeat of Mr. Vander Jagt, an aggressive partisan first elected in 1966 who also serves as chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee, left some Republicans nervous that President George Bush's slump in the polls may affect candidates further down the ballot. Another Republican incumbent, Representative Dan Nichols, also lost Tuesday

in a three-way primary race in a redrawn Kansas district.

"It may say the anti-incumbent mood is scuttling more among Republicans than Democrats," said Representative Vin Weber, Republican of Minnesota. "You have to be concerned what's happening in the president race is translating out to the congressional races. It's premature to make any firm conclusions, but we're very troubled."

Mr. Vander Jagt lost to a business executive, Peter Hockstra, 46 percent to 41 percent, in a heavily Republican district in western Michigan.

Mr. Nichols finished second behind a state senator, Eric Yost. Mr. Yost will face another incumbent, Representative Dan Glickman,

Democrat of Kansas. Mr. Glickman and Mr. Nichols were placed in the same district because of reapportionment.

Mr. Vander Jagt and Mr. Nichols bring to 15 the number of House members defeated in primaries this year — 11 Democrats and four Republicans. At least 80 members, including 65 retirees, will not return to Congress.

A new Gallup Poll showed voters favored Democrats over Republicans for Congress, 56 percent to 36 percent, compared to an almost even split in April. But an unrepresentative Mr. Vander Jagt said Democrats should not gloat, and Republicans ought not to worry.

"This was not Democrat or Republican. It was 100 percent anti-

incumbent," Mr. Vander Jagt said. There is no solace there for the Democrats in the House. Any Democratic incumbent should learn from any defeat that any incumbent is vulnerable, and there are more Democratic incumbents than there are Republican incumbents."

Political troubles for Mr. Vander Jagt, who was not implicated in the House bank scandal involving overdrafts, began last spring after he endorsed Representative Robert W. Davis, another Michigan Republican, despite Mr. Davis's 878 overdrafts. Local Republicans rebelled and tried to recruit a prominent state senator to run against Mr. Vander Jagt, who was also accused of neglecting his district.

## California's Worsening Budget Woes Largest Bank Refuses IOUs, and Leaders Stall on a Solution

By Lou Cannon  
Washington Post Service

**SACRAMENTO, California** — The state's largest bank has stopped honoring IOUs being used by the state government to pay its bills, as Governor Pete Wilson, a Republican, and legislative leaders remain far apart on a solution to the state's mammoth budget crisis.

Legislators, officeholders and editorialists throughout the state criticized the budget negotiators' apparent lack of a sense of urgency.

"The state isn't paying its rent or its utilities and is causing severe hardship for the vendors who supply the nursing homes and prisons with food and other goods," the state comptroller, Gray Davis, a state Democrat, said Wednesday.

Meanwhile, the negotiations proceed like a plantation scene in an old movie where everything happens in slow motion.

Dan Schnur, the governor's spokesman, said Wednesday that with legislators facing voters in an anti-incumbent mood in November, the present crisis gives Mr. Wilson the best chance he will ever have to bring down spending levels. "If they're not accomplished by Nov. 2, they're not likely to occur in the '90s," Mr. Schnur said.

A recent survey by a nonpartisan poll taker, Mervin Field, showed that favorable ratings had dropped to 20 percent for Mr. Wilson and 9 percent for the legislature.

It was widely expected that the pace of negotiations between Mr. Wilson and the Democratic-controlled legislature would be quickened by the action of Bank of America, which has redeemed about one-third of the nearly \$2 billion in state IOUs issued since California failed to meet a July 1 budget deadline.

The bank took the action in hopes of spurring a budget settlement, and Wells Fargo Bank officials said they plan to stop honoring the IOUs Friday. But other financial institutions responded competitively in a bid for new business.

But relatively few Californians are profiting from a fiscal situation

that the assembly speaker, Willie L. Brown Jr., a Democrat, described as "utter insanity."

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### Away From the Hustings

- The Air Force grounded all 55 Stealth fighters at Holloman Air Force Base in Alamogordo, New Mexico, for a day while it was investigating the crash of one of the radar-evading jets. The pilot ejected safely.
- An immigration judge in San Francisco approved the release on bail an alleged Irish Republican Army gunman, James J. Smyth, who fled from Northern Ireland after a 1983 prison break and was captured eight years later in California.
- Senator Edward M. Kennedy, Democrat of Massachusetts, has introduced a bill to expand preschool educational programming on public television and to make commercial networks and stations offer at least some such programs in order to keep their broadcasting licenses.
- The House Foreign Affairs Committee has approved legislation that spells out U.S. relations with Hong Kong after it reverts to Chinese control in 1997. A similar bill has been approved by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, but there is no indication when either piece of legislation will go to the full House and Senate for a vote.
- Two police officers and two former officers in Gastonia, North Carolina, were indicted on federal charges of abusing the homeless. One of them was accused of dosing street people with oil.
- The U.S. Coast Guard has detained 40 Haitian refugees to their homeland, the first repatriated since the U.S. Supreme Court upheld a Bush administration policy of sending Haitians back without immigration hearings.
- Thousands of fire fighters were battling wind-driven forest fires in southwestern Oregon that had destroyed at least seven houses and had threatened more than 400 others. Forest, brush and grass fires had burned more than 323,000 acres since Friday in California, Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Nevada. (AP, Reuters)

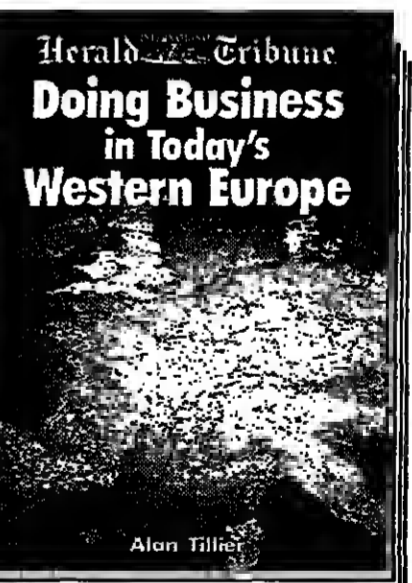
### Buddhist Monks Lose Hotel Battle in Kyoto

**TOKYO** — Buddhist monks lost out to property developers on Thursday when a Kyoto court approved a high-rise hotel in Japan's ancient capital.

The yearlong battle, in which the monks encouraged tourists to boycott the century-old Kyoto Hotel, ended when a judge ruled there was no binding agreement between the hotel and the Buddhists to review the size of a planned development of the site.

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**Gang Up on the Mafia**

Cooperation between Italian and American law enforcement authorities has taken an unusual form in the U.S. District Court in Washington. In order to protect American witnesses and take their testimony more conveniently, a multi-defendant drug conspiracy trial was recessed in Sicily and moved to Washington for two weeks. This part of the trial was held in a heavily secured courtroom before three Italian judges. The testimony was in Italian, and that country's rules of procedure were followed.

**Airlines in Partnership**

Travelers around the globe should welcome an agreement between British Airways and USAir to establish the world's largest airline partnership. But the move stirs no cheer from two competing American carriers, which up until now have enjoyed domestic dominance. Both Delta and American have asked the Department of Transportation to reject the deal unless the U.S. government uses the proposal as leverage to increase access by U.S. airlines to passenger rights in Britain. The effort of U.S. carriers and the federal government to secure more rights in Britain deserves help. But this is no reason to block important foreign investment in domestic airlines — which is an important route to improved prospects for a competitive U.S. airline industry.

**Killing a Sensible Plan**

The Oregon Legislature made a tough call. It decided in 1989 to cut back medical coverage for 230,000 poor residents so that it could extend basic coverage to 120,000 other poor Oregonians who were shut out of the state's Medicaid program. That trade-off might not be to everyone's liking. But it was an honorable choice, made with astonishing honesty by Republicans and Democrats.

**Ozone, Closer to Home**

Ozone in the air you breathe may be a threat to your health, but combating it is disruptive and expensive. Automobiles are responsible for some of it, along with many industrial and commercial processes. Setting a national standard for ozone is a classic exercise in environmental politics, as the Environmental Protection Agency demonstrated again this week. Under the pressure of litigation to force a decision, it reaffirmed its present longstanding standard rather than moving to a tighter one.

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**Stop the Excuses: Serbia Should Get an Ultimatum**

By Margaret Thatcher

The writer is the former British prime minister.

LONDON — Terrible events are happening in Bosnia; worse ones are threatened. Sarajevo is under constant bombardment. Gorazde is besieged and likely to fall. If it does, a large massacre is feared and thousands of Serbian troops will be free to move on Sarajevo, itself swarming with refugees from other areas.

The victims and losses in this conflict suffer more than the usual penalties of defeat. Some are herded into concentration camps where, even if the worst reports of atrocities are untrue, they nonetheless suffer appalling privation and can be shot for insignificant offenses. Others are driven from their homes and obliged to give up their property. Children and passers-by are shot at and killed.

to press for a United Nations-sponsored cease-fire. Reasonable as this sounds, it is an attempt to "freeze" the present situation in which the Serbs hold about two-thirds of Bosnia's territory, whereas they make up only 31 percent of the total population as against 43 percent for the Muslims and 17 percent for the Croats.

that the conflict might spread. Serbia has no powerful outside backers, such as the Soviet Union in the past. It has up to now been encouraged by Western inaction, not least by explicit statements that force would not be used.

**Why the Reformers Must Be Helped**

By James A. Baker 3d

The writer is U.S. secretary of state.

WASHINGTON — Twice before in this century America was summoned to international leadership. After World War I we ignored the summons and we and the world paid dearly.

free market economies on the ruins of communism. Their task is extraordinarily difficult, and it is complicated by political turmoil and deep economic hardship. U.S. help is no handout. The reformers must make the hard decisions and do the hard work.

There could be plenty of excuses for the House to reject the act or to tangle it with "killer amendments": The federal budget is tight, times at home are lean, this is an election year.

**The Group of Seven Should Take Charge**

By Stanley Fischer

NEWTON, Massachusetts — Economic reformers in President Boris Yeltsin's cabinet are losing ground, and the survival of their program is at stake.

to deliver most of its \$3 billion or \$4 billion commitment as part of the \$24 billion package, because Moscow will not be able to reach agreement with it on meeting normal IMF rules on issues like credit growth and controlling inflation.

It may be too late for Western assistance to help keep the reformers in power. But since the stakes are so high, the West should try. The reformers need a package that makes \$5 billion to \$8 billion available to finance the budget deficit over the next year, takes the debt problem off the table for three years, channels all aid into support of the reforms and brings the triple stabilization fund into play once the government can show that the plummeting currency can be stabilized with the fund's help.

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**1942: Palestine Regiment**  
LONDON — (From our New York edition.) Jews and Arabs will fight side by side in a Palestine regiment which is to be created immediately in the British Army. Sir James Grigg, secretary for War, announced today (Aug. 6). The troops will be in separate infantry battalions and will be assigned chiefly to defense of Palestine, either within that country or in adjoining territories, Grigg said. Existing Palestine troops in the British Army will be incorporated in the new regiment and an additional 10,000 recruits are expected to be forthcoming.

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OPINION

Bush Wants Too Little Too Badly

By Robert J. Sammelson

WASHINGTON — George Bush is the new Nixon. Like Richard Nixon, he entered the White House with vast experience. Like Mr. Nixon, he prefers foreign to domestic policy. Like Mr. Nixon, he is an awkward campaigner. But what he shares most with Mr. Nixon is the overpowering obsession to remain president — and like Mr. Nixon, he could be destroyed by it.

democratic standard to qualify for federal college aid, for example — would have upset too many students and parents. Mr. Bush's expedience has gone awry because it has made him unprincipled. Appearing to put his interests above the nation's violates the first rule of presidential politics: The best politics is not to look political. Too many of his compromises have sacrificed principle.

For Men, a New Freedom To Mix Salads, Not Drinks

By Andrew Ward

WASHINGTON — My wife stopped drinking a few years ago. I didn't think she had a problem, but she thought she did, and so she quit.

to slice a lime for a gin and tonic. The bar was their kitchen, alcohol their milk of human kindness. Hosting and bartending were almost the same thing.

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wholesome in my nature. It has nothing whatever to do with character. Take away my mighty bowl of Ben & Jerry's ice cream, for instance, or my daily bag of Frito-Lay snack products, and I would probably have to be institutionalized for a period: sodated, strait-jacketed and reduced to blubbering confusion.

When I did accept his offer of a drink, his eyes would light up with the eager anticipation and vast relief of a man faced with human society who has suddenly found something to do.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Defending the Czechs

Regarding "Why Slovaks Go It Alone" (Letters, July 31) by E. Michael Molnar: Czechoslovakia was created by an agreement between the leaders of the Slovak community in the United States and the future president, T. G. Masaryk, himself half Czech, half Slovak.

Mr. Molnar's statement that the Slovaks considered Nazi Germany a lesser evil than the Czechs deserves no comment. He says that after the war, the Slovaks were rejoined with the Czechs and nobody asked them how they felt about it.

In rejecting the presidency of Vaclav Havel, whose moral authority is unique and recognized worldwide, the Slovak politicians have done a disservice to their own nation.

ANDRZEJ ZULAWSKI Fromont, France

Clinton at Oxford

Let me offer a brief recollection of Bill Clinton to correct, or at least put in context, some of the things that are being said about him. I knew him reasonably well; we played rugby, drank and talked together.

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# Iran-Contra Inquiry Focuses on Meese

## Shultz Is Said to Be Cleared As Investigation Nears End

By Walter Pincus  
*Washington Post Service*

WASHINGTON — Edwin Meese 3d, a former attorney general, has become the main focus of the six-year inquiry into the worst political scandal of the Reagan administration comes to an end, according to sources.

George P. Shultz, a former secretary of state who along with Mr. Meese had been named a "subject" of the inquiry, "is no longer in an adversarial position" with the prosecutor in the final phase of the probe of the Iran-contra scandal, according to a source close to Mr. Shultz.

But the source said that Lawrence E. Walsh, the independent counsel, "is not ready to announce Shultz is no longer a subject of his investigation."

Spokesmen for Mr. Walsh would not comment.

A subject is one whose conduct is under grand jury scrutiny, while a target is someone facing probable indictment.

Last week, Mr. Meese told friends that "he feels like a target" of the inquiry, one source said.

Former President Ronald Reagan and a former chief of staff, Donald T. Regan, were formally notified last week by Mr. Walsh that they were not under investigation, according to their lawyers.

Mr. Walsh's investigation has been directed in recent weeks toward determining whether high-level officials in the Reagan administration sought to obstruct official inquiries into the November 1985

sale from Israel to Iran of U.S.-made Hawk anti-aircraft missiles.

The sale was intended to gain the release of U.S. hostages held in Lebanon by pro-Iranian groups.

The indictment on June 16 of a former defense secretary, Caspar W. Weinberger, on five counts of obstruction, perjury and false statements was a product of that line of inquiry.

Mr. Walsh advised Congress in June that he intended to conclude his investigation, which has cost more than \$32 million since it began in December 1986, by the end of this month.

One source who has a client involved in the investigation said he did not think Mr. Walsh was currently planning any indictments.

A source who appeared recently before the federal grand jury hearing Iran-contra evidence said Mr. Walsh's prosecutors were "following all the trails" that opened up after recent access to notes written by Mr. Weinberger and other Iran-contra participants, but seem uncertain where they lead.

On Tuesday, the grand jury heard four hours of testimony from Charles P. Cooper, a former aide to Mr. Meese who served as head of the Justice Department's Office of Legal Counsel in the Reagan administration.

In November 1986, when the administration disclosed its arms-for-hostages dealings with Iran, Mr. Cooper worked with Mr. Meese and two other Justice officials in sorting out conflicting internal stories about the arms shipments.

# Iraqi Forces Near Half of Prewar Power

By Barton Gellman  
*Washington Post Service*

WASHINGTON — Iraq's armed forces have been rebuilt to 40 percent of the strength in manpower and heavy equipment that they had at the beginning of the Gulf War, according to a Defense Department report.

Defense Intelligence Agency estimates made available in response to a military survey released by Jane's Defense Weekly suggest that on the second anniversary of his invasion of Kuwait, President Saddam Hussein has not come close to rebuilding a force capable of large-scale offensive operations.

In many cases, officials said, the raw numbers do not tell the full story, because Iraq

suffered disproportionate losses from its best and most modern stocks of equipment.

- The data released Wednesday estimate that Baghdad commands the following forces, with comparisons to prewar peaks:
  - Four hundred thousand soldiers organized into 28 divisions, down from 1 million soldiers in 54 divisions.
  - Something over 2,500 tanks, down from 5,500.
  - Fifteen hundred or more pieces of heavy artillery, down from 3,500.
  - Three thousand armored personnel carriers, down from 5,100.
  - Three hundred fifty combat aircraft, down from 700. About 132 of Iraq's best

combat and transport planes remain in Iraq, to which they fled during the war. Iraq has said they will not be returned.

- Four hundred fifty helicopters, down from 500.
- A virtually "nonoperational" navy, down from a force of eight missile boats, eight torpedo boats, three amphibious ships and a training frigate.

Jane's and Pentagon analysts said Iraq had rebuilt parts of its prewar air defenses, including surface-to-air missiles, anti-aircraft artillery and early warning radars. It has not rebuilt most of the computer and communications links that once made up an "integrated air defense network."

# Pope Would Back Action in Bosnia, Vatican Aide Says

By Alan Cowell  
*New York Times Service*

ROME — A high Vatican official suggested strongly Thursday that Pope John Paul II would support a United Nations or European intervention in Bosnia-Herzegovina to "hold back the hand of the aggressor" and facilitate humanitarian relief efforts.

The comments by Cardinal Angelo Sodano, the Vatican's secretary of state, went far beyond the Vatican's previous appeals to end the fighting and contrasted markedly with the Pope's frequent condemnation of the Gulf War.

Vatican officials were not immediately available to explain the hardening of attitudes.

The shift was all the more remarkable since the Vatican regularly insists that war does not solve international problems, while Cardinal Sodano seemed to be advocating military methods to halt the bloodshed.

Cardinal Sodano spoke to reporters after discussing the issue with the Pope at his Castelgandolfo summer retreat south of Rome, where the pontiff is recuperating from major surgery to remove an intestinal tumor.

"The Pope welcomes all the initiatives taken by the United Nations and the European states to put a brake on the horrendous war which is being fought in Bosnia," Cardinal Sodano said.

While the Vatican official did not use the term military intervention, he said: "I would say the UN and the European nations have the duty and the right to intervene to disarm those who want to kill. This is not to favor war but to prevent war."

Cardinal Sodano stressed that the purpose of any intervention should be to enable humanitarian relief supplies to reach the beleaguered population of Bosnia, under siege by Serbs.

On those terms, he said, "We would support it fully."

He added, "There is a need to reflect the public opinion that it is a duty to hold back the hand of the aggressor."

During the Gulf War, the Pope repeatedly urged a peaceful settlement of the crisis and, in a Christmas Day message before hostilities began, said the conflict would be an adventure with no return, "suggesting that the war did not match the theological requirements of a 'just war'."

The issues of what exactly produces a "just war" is still debated in Roman Catholic circles, and Cardinal Sodano did not invoke the term on Thursday.

But he did suggest that standing by without taking action to halt the killing in Bosnia-Herzegovina made those who stood by "a little like accomplices" in what he called "the most grave scandal against humanity."

The Vatican's attitude possibly has been molded not only by the siege of Sarajevo, but also by reports of the existence of Serb-run concentration camps.

Cardinal Sodano said he agreed that there were parallels between Nazi atrocities and abuses in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

"Certainly," he said, "if the news about the concentration camps is true, this is a worrying matter. I never thought Europe could return to this."

# 47 Years Later, Hiroshima Remembers



Prayer, not recrimination, was favored in Hiroshima on Thursday to honor victims on the 47th anniversary of the atomic bombing.

## Sirens Howl at Time of Blast As a Warning to the World

By T.R. Reid  
*Washington Post Service*

HIROSHIMA — At precisely 15 minutes after 8 o'clock Thursday morning — 47 years to the second after the awesome blast of heat and light that marked zero hour of the Nuclear Age — the city of Hiroshima once again came to a stop.

From every rooftop and tower, sirens blared out a warning — not for the people of Hiroshima this time but for the rest of the world.

It was the annual commemoration of the atomic bomb dropped here in 1945, history's first use of nuclear power against people. In a quiet, funeral ceremony at the detonation point near the city center, the people of Hiroshima sent out their ritual message: "Please, no more Hiroshimas."

A hard rain fell near the end of the ceremony but there were no hard words. There was no mention of Pearl Harbor. There was barely a word of criticism for the Japanese leader who started the war with the United States or the American leaders who sought to end it by dropping their new weapon on a largely civilian target.

Rather, the A-bomb was treated, as it always is here, as some tragic truth of the world that floats in the memory free of history, free of cause and blame, free of politics and power.

This tendency to focus on the disaster rather than its causes reflects the approach of Japanese society as a whole toward World War II, an attitude that has made Japan somewhat less forthcoming than its ally, Germany, in facing up to responsibility for the war.

At the same time, that keen awareness of past agonies has given the people of Japan in general and Hiroshima in particular a sense of personal responsibility to act as the collective conscience of the world — to try to ensure that nuclear weapons are never used again.

Even with the end of the Cold War, various speakers agreed Thursday, the world must be on guard to make sure that Hiroshima never happens again.

"The basic structure of the Cold War between East and West has collapsed, and the U.S. and Russia have agreed on deep cuts in their nuclear arsenals," said Mayor Takashi Hirooka in the city's annual Peace Declaration.

"But we are still at a crossroads asking whether mankind will revert to confrontation and conflict."

Hiroshima is constantly reaching out to other localities that have suffered catastrophes.

Its "sister city" in the United States is Honolulu, a tropical paradise that has almost nothing in common with this crowded industrial center except that both were attacked from the air in World War II.

In the leafy precincts of Mitaki Temple on the city's edge, there is a Buddhist memorial to the victims of Auschwitz. A citywide organization has collected considerable aid for the citizens of Chernobyl.

Although the quiet green Peace Park surrounding the famous domed ruin of the Industrial Promotion Hall is the best-known place in Hiroshima, most of the year this city of 1 million is busy with ordinary life from the production of Japanese and Ford cars at the big Mazda plant to the enormously popular baseball team, the Hiroshima Carp.

But each Aug. 6 brings back the summer mourning that made "Hiroshima" — for eternity — more than just a name on the map.

### Okinawa Marine Force Cut

*The Associated Press*

TOKYO — Okinawa will lose about 400 U.S. Marines as part of a plan to reduce American forces in Asia, military officials said Thursday. There are more than 30,000 U.S. military personnel, including 18,000 Marines, on Okinawa.

## ASIAN TOPICS

### Sony Seeks Uses For Artificial Nose

Sony Corp. says it has developed a smelling device far more effective than the human nose and is searching for ways to use it.

The sensor can be used to detect the scent of perfumes and food flavors. It scored 10 out of 10 in tests to identify commercial perfumes, taking about two seconds on each, according to a spokeswoman for the Japanese electronics giant.

"Our device is about 100 times more sensitive than a human's sense of smell," the spokeswoman said. "We're not yet sure when or how this equipment is going to be put to practical use, but there should be a wide range of applications."

The device uses six sensors wrapped in a thin film made of fatty acids and connected to a computer. When the source of the smell is uncovered, molecules with the scent stick to the film on the sensors. The pattern in which the molecules adhere to the film is transmitted to the computer, which compares it with programmed patterns to determine the type of smell.

### Around Asia

Military authorities in Singapore and Indonesia have signed an agreement to work together to stamp out piracy in the Malacca Strait between the two countries. Major General Ng Jui Ping of Singapore and General Try Sutrisno of Indonesia expressed confidence that coordinating patrols and exchanging information will crush the pirates.

General Sutrisno said that in June, the Indonesian Navy rounded up 30 bandits. So far this year, some 50 incidents of piracy have been reported. In 1991, there were 203.

People who are caught littering in Singapore will have to put in up to three hours of cleaning streets and sidewalks under a new government bill submitted to parliament and assured of passage. Litterbugs who refuse to work can be fined as much as 5,000 Singapore dollars (\$3,120) or jailed for as long as two months. The current fine for littering is 1,000 dollars.

Chinese women, freed from the torment of centuries of foot-binding, are now wearing stiletto-heeled, pointy-toed shoes. "The advent of high-heeled shoes in China is a major factor in the dramatic increase in bunions," the official China Daily said this week, reporting the results of research by the Chinese Foot Society. Its study of foot disorders treated in 10 major hospitals found that 82.5 percent of women who had bunions, a swelling of the joint on the big toe, had been shod in high heels and pointed toes.

Arthur Higbee

# Air Attack Said to Kill 20 in Nagorno-Karabakh

*The Associated Press*

MOSCOW — Fierce fighting was reported overnight in the disputed region of Nagorno-Karabakh, including an Azerbaijani air attack on the capital of Stepanakert, the Moscow news agency Interfax reported Thursday.

Armenia and Azerbaijan accused each other of shelling villages in Nagorno-Karabakh, with casualties on both sides.

Interfax, quoting a news agency in Nagorno-Karabakh, said a raid by a Sukhoi-25 fighter-bomber

killed 20 people and wounded more than 50.

Quoting the Armenian Interior Ministry, Interfax also reported that four people were killed by Azerbaijani shelling of the village of Artsvashen.

Azerbaijan's Turan news agency reported deaths when the town of Agdam, on the western border of Nagorno-Karabakh, came under shelling. It did not give the number of casualties.

Despite numerous peacekeeping efforts, fighting has persisted for four and a half years in Nagorno-

Karabakh, a mostly Armenian area controlled since 1923 by Azerbaijan.

**Baltic Troop Talks Stalled**

The foreign ministers of Russia and the three Baltic states made no major progress Thursday in negotiations on the withdrawal of former Soviet troops. The Associated Press reported from Moscow.

The Baltic leaders have insisted that Russia pull out all troops by the end of the year. But Foreign Minister Andrei V. Kozhevnikov said such a massive withdrawal could

not be completed before 1994, according to the news reports.

Russia commands the estimated 200,000 Baltic-based troops. It has agreed to a timetable for their withdrawal, but will not agree to pull out as speedily as Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia would like.

Mr. Kozhevnikov said the sides had agreed to continue talks at lower levels and to explore the possibility of a meeting between the Baltic leaders and President Boris N. Yeltsin, according to the news agency Baltfax.

## CAMPS: Tales of Death in Bosnia

(Continued from page 1)

successful Serbian offensive to punch a road corridor through the area. The corridor provided Serb-held territory in nearby Croatia with direct truck and bus service through Bosnia to Belgrade, Serbia's capital.

The corridor is probably the single most important piece of evidence supporting Croatian and Bosnian assertions that Serbian leaders are carrying a "Greater Serbia" out of the independent states that emerged from the ruins of the former Yugoslavia.

As the number of Serb-run concentration camps increased in number and size in May, June and early July, relief officials say privately that their attention, along with that of the rest of the world, was focused on Western attempts to open the Sarajevo airport and break the siege of the Bosnian capital.

The highly publicized events in Sarajevo, relief officials say, screened the creation of the camps in northern Bosnia.

When they arrived in the camps, former prisoners related, they were robbed of all their jewelry and cash, including wedding rings. They also said they were questioned individually by teams of interrogators whose tools were sticks and clubs.

At Omarska, a sprawling iron-mine complex that the Bosnian government says is the largest concentration camp in the new nation — with as many as 11,000 detainees — three former prisoners said that beatings occurred at midday.

The orders took place, they said, when prisoners were ordered to run in groups of 30 from their holding pens to a canteen for their one daily meal, which was a piece of bread and soup.

Many men at Omarska emerged from individual interrogation sessions covered with blood and were unable to walk, the freed prisoners said. They said that each day some of these badly beaten people died in their holding pens, improvised from a truck garage, a shower for mine workers and a cafeteria.

The areas were so crowded that prisoners had to sleep in shifts.

The freed prisoners said they had seen Serbs shoot and kill inmates who attempted to escape or who

had violated camp rules about not looking out windows. Several former inmates described seeing fresh corpses each day in Omarska.

The United Nations Security Council voted unanimously this week to demand that all warring sides in Bosnia open their camps for inspection.

Bosnian Muslims and Croats claim that Serbs have 45 concentration camps holding at least 70,000 people. Serbs claim about 40,000 of their people are held in Muslim and Croat camps.

The leader of the Serbs in Bosnia, Radovan Karadzic, denied that his men were holding Muslims and Croats. He invited international groups to send inspectors.

"This all is obviously initiated by Muslim propaganda," Mr. Karadzic said by telephone from his headquarters outside Sarajevo.

The U.S. government appealed this week for an emergency meeting of the UN Human Rights Commission to examine allegations of atrocities at camps in Bosnia.

When one looks at and talks with former prisoners in the camps, the most obvious conclusion is that they have been starved. Recent arrivals from Omarska, who were brought here by train in mid-July, were emaciated.

Dzevad Hadzic, 16, said he lost 23 pounds (10 kilograms) in the seven weeks he spent in Omarska. He was taken there with his father on May 27 and was freed on July 15. He said he spent all but a few minutes of each day in a garage that housed between 3,000 and 4,000 men.

"There wasn't enough room to sit down," he said. "We would try to sleep in the sitting position, taking turns. When there was lunch, they would command us to run in groups of 30. When we would enter the canteen, four or five Serbs would stand in the entrance with clubs. As we were running they would beat us. They would mostly hit the older people so they would fall and slow the younger people, and then they would beat us."

He said he saw two blood-soaked prisoners die after returning from interrogation. He said he heard shooting at the camp every day at about 3 P.M. and that, each day on his run to lunch, he saw "four or five new bodies in a meadow."

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Accor Loses Appeal Over Wagons-Lits

BRUSSELS — Accor SA said a ruling Thursday by a Brussels court meant it would have to pay 950 million francs (\$190 million) more for Compagnie Internationale des Wagons-Lits & du Tourisme SA of Belgium than its original bid.

ly taken over Wagons-Lits in June 1990, before the official takeover offer, when Groupe Bruxelles Lambert sold its 26 percent stake at 12,500 francs a share. It ruled that Accor should therefore pay the same price to minority shareholders.

A spokesman for Societe Generale de Belgique, Accor's ally in the bid, said that further appeals could take four to five years. A Brussels appeals court upheld a ruling that ordered Accor, the French hotel chain, to raise its offer price for Wagons-Lits to a group of minority shareholders to 12,500 Belgian francs (\$416) a share from 8,650 francs.

Barclays Drops 87% in First Half

LONDON — Barclays Bank PLC, citing the high level of British business failures and bad debts, reported a dramatic 87 percent drop in its first-half pretax profit, to \$51 million (\$87 million), from \$378 million in the same period last year.

Barclays' main rivals achieved, and the London stock market, which has become inured to depressing company results, saw a silver lining. Barclays shares soared, rising at one point by 18 pence to £3.41 before profit-taking set in. The share closed 10 pence higher at £3.33.

which is showing a strong element of conservatism." Sir John said the bank's results reflected not only British business failures and bad debts but also "the accompanying plunge in property values, and the severity of which was largely unforeseen."

Finland Lifts Rate to Halt Drain

HELSINKI — The Bank of Finland announced Thursday that it would raise its benchmark intervention rate by nearly 1.5 percentage points in a bid to stem heavy capital outflows.

Investor's Europe. Frankfurt DAX, London FTSE 100 Index, Paris CAC 40. Exchange Index Thursday Close Prev. Close % Change.

Debt Review as Chief Quits Unibank

COPENHAGEN — Steen Rasborg resigned Thursday as chief executive of Unibank A/S, Denmark's second-largest bank, and Moody's Investors Services said it may downgrade some of the bank's long-term debt.

view would focus on the implications of the managerial changes as well as on the composition of loan-loss provisions projected by the bank. The service said that Unibank's prime commercial paper and its short-term deposit rating were not under review.

company of the bank, also said Thursday that it expected to report a pretax loss approaching 1.5 billion kroner (\$264 million) for the first half. The results are due Aug. 18.

Big French Companies Post Stronger Half-Year Sales

PARIS — A number of French industrial companies reported stronger first-half sales Thursday, but Total SA was one of the few heavyweights to counter the broad trend.

(\$204.3 million), while revenue rose 8.3 percent to 7.53 billion francs. Saint-Gobain SA, the glass and building-materials maker, said that its revenue rose 3.9 percent, to 38.88 billion francs, but noted that sales had risen by only 0.1 percent if newly acquired operations were excluded.

francs. Inclusion of new paper-making operations partly accounted for the sharp rise. Alstom Cables SA said that sales rose 29 percent to 16.53 billion francs but added that they would have risen only 3 percent if acquisitions and fluctuations in raw-material prices and currencies had been excluded.

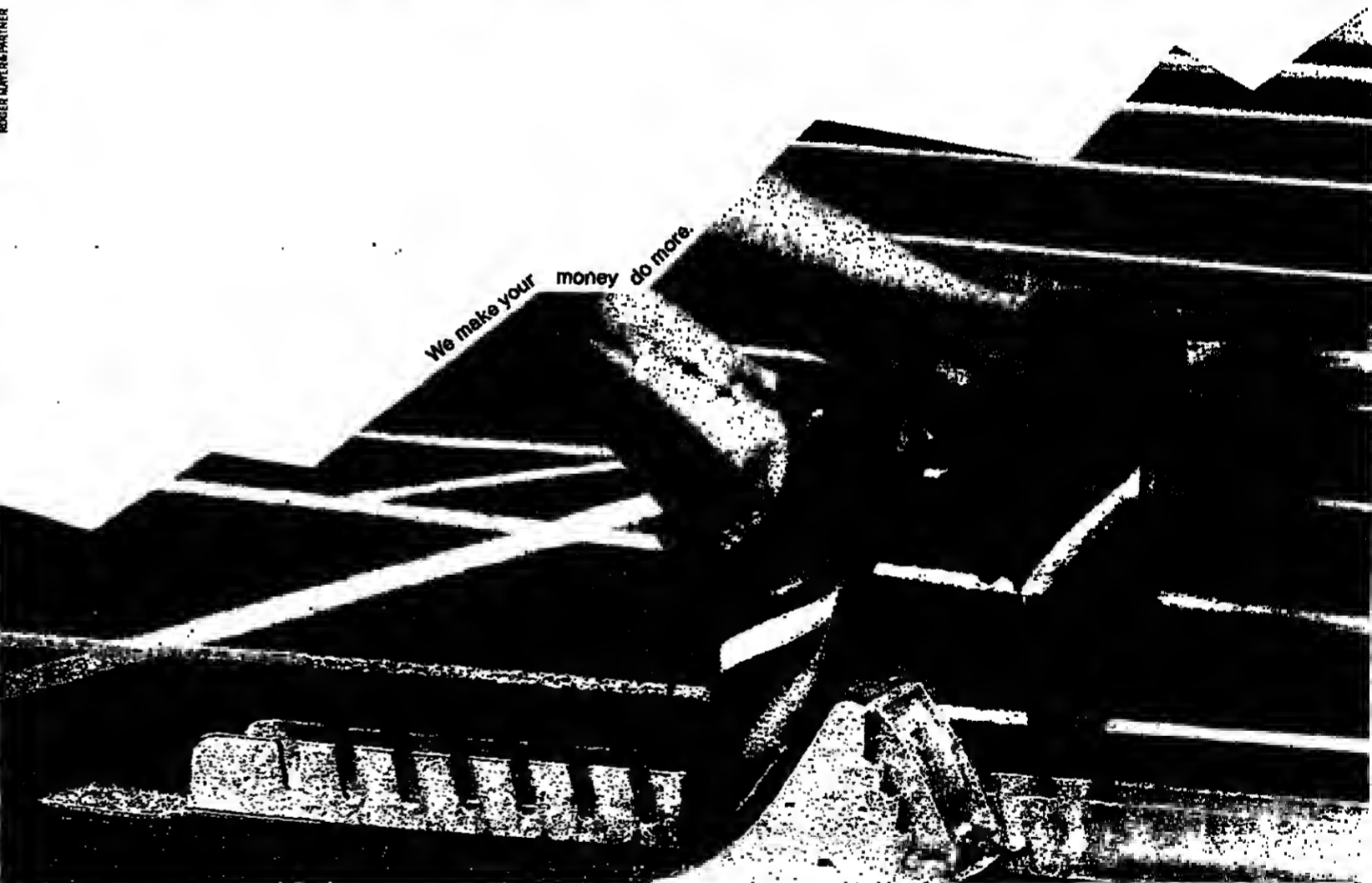
BP: Oil Company, Changing Tack, to Cut Staff by 10%

(Continued from first finance page) sales has rarely been worse, Mr. Aherne said. "We will not sell at ridiculous prices." He said BP would explore options ranging from outright sales of assets to management buyouts and even flotations.

would soon turn up. Mr. Simon not only referred to BP's new "jaundiced view" of the market, but also stressed that the company must rely on improvements in its own efficiency to boost profits, and not on the vagaries of the price of, and demand for, oil.

"It is not our intention that Bob Horton carry the can," he said. "The can remains with the board as a whole." Both Lord Ashburton and Mr. Simon are long-serving BP directors.

The largest contributions to BP's exceptional charges will come in its troubled refining and marketing divisions. The cost of redundancies in that division alone will total \$244 million, with a further charge of \$107 million for losses anticipated on the disposal of assets in the United States.



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SPORTS BASEBALL

When the U.S. Lost At Its Own Game

By Dave Anderson
New York Times Service
BARCELONA — Not even a bronze. With an 8-3 loss to Japan...

"We felt if we won a medal, it would be a great success," said Ron Fraser, the American coach...

In Wednesday night's gold-medal game, Cuba defeated Taipei, 11-1, with three home runs...

Cuba finished with a perfect 9-0 record, outscoring its foes 95-16, helped by 17 home runs.

In their disappointment, two American players, center-fielder Jeffrey Hammonds and left-hander Jeff Alkire...

"Our summer's over with nothing to show for it," Hammonds said. "I don't think there'll ever be a Dream Team in baseball."

"Two months ago," Alkire said, "if somebody told me we'd work our butts off for two months and go to Spain and not get a medal, I don't think there's a guy who would've come here."

Hammonds, who recently signed a contract for almost \$1 million with the Baltimore Orioles...

"I just wish we had more time," he said. "Another month, another two weeks. We were a long shot from the get-go."

In its two medal-round games, the U.S. team was outscored, 14-4, including a 6-1 loss to Cuba on Tuesday night...

"The talent has watered down," Fraser said. "More and more players have opted to go pro because of the money."

When baseball was a demonstration sport in the two previous Olympics, the United States lost to Japan in the 1984 final in Los Angeles...

"Our system is different," Fraser said. "We got a new international team every year. Cuba's team has been together 12, 15 years."

The loss Wednesday marked the 58-year-old Fraser's last game after three decades of coaching international and college baseball...

"You always think there's another game," Fraser said. "One of my players asked me before the game: 'What's it feel like? I can't picture you not coaching.'"

With a laugh now, Fraser, who had joked earlier in the tournament that Cuba's team could beat the Cleveland Indians...



Kansas City second baseman Terry Shumpert jumped, but the Angels' Chad Curtis had already broken up the double play.

A's and Braves Consolidate Their Leads Eckersley Shuts Down the Rangers Reds Lose a Player — and the Game

The Oakland Athletics are looking good because Dennis Eckersley has never looked better. With their star relief pitcher extending his record streak to 39 saves...

Henke's consecutive save record of 25, recorded the final four outs for his 35th straight save this season. With their 10th victory in 12 games, Oakland moved a game ahead of Minnesota.

White Sox 9, Twins 5: Charlie Hough finally won his 200th career game — in his sixth try — as Chicago beat visiting Minnesota.

Blue Jays 5, Red Sox 4: Pinch-hitter John Olerud singled home two runs off Jeff Reardon in the eighth, leading Toronto to a tempestuous victory in Boston.

The Cincinnati Reds lost their center fielder and another game in the standings to the Atlanta Braves at the same time. Dave Justice's first-inning triple not only gave the Braves a 2-0 lead...

Justice's triple and Lonnie Smith's sacrifice fly gave the Braves a 3-0 lead. Sid Bream and Damon Berryhill added consecutive homers in the fourth off Belcher as Atlanta won its fifth straight game...

Expos 5, Cubs 3: Spike Owen and Delino DeShields each drove in two runs as Montreal beat visiting Chicago.

Padres 4, Giants 1: Gary Sheffield drove in the go-ahead run in the eighth and Darrin Jackson added a two-run double as the Padres defeated San Francisco for its fifth loss in six games.

SCOREBOARD BASEBALL

Major League Standings table with columns for Team, W, L, Pct., GB.

Wednesday's Line Scores table with columns for Team, Score, H, R, E.

AMERICAN LEAGUE East Division table with columns for Team, W, L, Pct., GB.

NATIONAL LEAGUE table with columns for Team, W, L, Pct., GB.

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Large table listing various international funds with columns for Fund Name, Value, and other details.









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SPORTS OLYMPICS

Zmelik First In Decathlon, Johnson Is 3d

BARCELONA — Czechoslovakia's Robert Zmelik grabbed the lead by posting the fastest time by more than a half-second in the 110-meter hurdles Thursday, and won the Olympic decathlon with 8,611 points.



Gwen Torrence, left, and her son shared a wave after she won the women's 200-meter race. Kevin Young had a fraic with the U.S. flag after he ran a world record of 46.78 in the 400-meter hurdles.

Young Breaks the World Record for 400 Hurdles

BARCELONA — Kevin Young ran a world record 400-meter hurdles for one gold medal Thursday, and Americans also swept the men's and women's 200-meter races for the third straight Olympics.

She is the first Greek woman ever to win an Olympic medal in track and field. Young took an early lead and then powered his way toward the finish line, winning by nearly 10 meters in 46.78 despite hitting the final hurdle.

seconds in the 400 hurdles. I'll go down in history for that, even if someone runs faster." The record, set by the man responsible for one of the greatest winning streaks in sports history, had stood for nine years.

JUMP: Lewis a Big Winner When He Figured to Lose

(Continued from page 1) stained zebra, watched the event pass him by sullenly, muttering to himself. He had waked up Tuesday with a stiff back and right hamstring, and he had passed the ensuing time in physical therapy.

When I hit the sand I knew from the response of the crowd that it was a good jump," Powell said. "But it didn't feel like a great jump to me. When I looked at the markers, I really couldn't tell. I knew it was going to be close, but deep down inside I felt it was going to be close."

Logan Faces Suspension for 'Safe Alternative'

BARCELONA — The hammer thrower Jud Logan said Thursday that he had quit taking an alternative to steroids long before the Olympics, when he learned it was about to be placed on a list of banned substances.

As all athletes, I look for safe, legal vitamins and minerals to enhance performance. It is very traumatic to myself, my family and the U.S.A. Olympic team that six months later it is possible to test positive for asthma medication.



Jud Logan, in a handwritten statement.

When it came on the list in April, he ceased taking it immediately. Jud said it was a common antiasthmatic, used by a lot of athletes, used forever, that is supposed to allow athletes to recover faster.

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OBSERVER
The Low Fliers

By Russell Baker
NEW YORK — "Life at the Top," scenarios on a single theme.
Scenario One: Bird Feathers
Summoned to the Oval Office, Dan Quayle sees a big dead bird on the president's desk. Bush: "Do you know what this is, Dan?"

albatross lightly over his shoulder.
"Whenever you get those horseshoes out," he assures the president, "you can play 18 holes wearing this albatross and not even notice you've got it on."
Scenario Two: What? A Dump?
Several incompetent campaign managers are waiting for President Bush to stop sobbing over the new poll they have just taken.

A New Look at a Disaster at Guadalcanal

By Michael Richardson
International Herald Tribune
SINGAPORE — In early August 1942, Japanese forces had overrun South-east Asia and were attempting to cut a vital line of communication between the United States and Australia by seizing New Guinea and the Solomon Islands, and pressing deeper into the South Pacific.
To bar this planned expansion, Admiral Chester W. Nimitz was ordered by the Joint Chiefs of Staff to block the Japanese advance by landing Marines on enemy-occupied Guadalcanal and Tulagi islands in the Solomons.



Shelling in the Solomon Islands just before the U. S. Marines landed at Guadalcanal 50 years ago.

states that the Hudson crew, instead of breaking radio silence as it should have done in an urgent case, or immediately returning to base at Milne Bay in New Guinea, spent most of the afternoon completing the search mission, landed, had tea and only then reported the sighting.
Rear Admiral Samuel Eliot Morison, who was commissioned in 1942 to write the history of U. S. naval operations, said that the "faulty and long-delayed" report of the Hudson crew "completely misled" American commanders about Japanese intentions.
In writing about the Savo Island affair, Morison drew heavily on a lengthy report of an "informal inquiry" that was conducted shortly after the battle at the request of the navy by Admiral Arthur J. Hepburn, a former commander in chief of the U. S. fleet.

PEOPLE
Maxwell Yacht Is Sold For Undisclosed Price
The luxury yacht from which publishing tycoon Robert Maxwell plunged to his death has been sold to an unidentified buyer for an undisclosed price. The brokers Camper and Nicholson said Thursday in London that the yacht Lady Ghislaine was for sale for £11 million (\$21 million), but the Press Association news agency said the buyer may have paid at least £1 million less.
Philippe Béralat has resigned as director of the Paris Opéra, citing a "complete divergence" of views with Pierre Bergé, the president of the organization. He also noted his disagreement with the union accords reached last month with Opéra employees.
Muriel Siebert will have her name bestowed upon a vine in France. As the first woman to have a seat on the New York Stock Exchange and the first woman to be superintendent of banking for New York State, she has been chosen as a 1992 Vevee Chicquet Business Woman of the Year. On Sept. 25, she will be inducted, along with 12 other women, as a Friend of the Widow, a reference to Nicole Barbe Chicquet, who became head of the Champagne firm in 1805 when she was widowed at the age of 27.
A San Francisco federal appeals court panel reduced a \$2.6 million damage award to the blues singer Tom Waits by just \$100,000, brushing aside arguments by Frito-Lay Inc. that the singer was not a well-known enough star to be protected under U. S. and state laws. Waits had sued the food giant and its advertising company, Tracy-Locke Inc., in 1988 after hearing what sounded like his voice singing the praises of Salsabio Doritos in a radio commercial.
Fans watched in horror as Michael Jackson appeared to collapse three times on stage during a concert in Cardiff, but a spokesman for the singer explained Thursday that it was all just a joke. "He was just having fun and enjoying himself," the spokesman said. Jackson was forced to cancel a London concert last weekend after he came down with the flu.

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